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TOP STORIES

Nominations, expressions of interest sought for VPAA search committee

We are renewing our search for the position of provost and vice president for academic affairs. We will be making a fresh start, one that will begin with the appointment of a new search committee.

This is to request nominations or expressions of interest in serving as a member of the search committee for the position of provost and vice president for academic affairs. Dean Bruce Smith has agreed to chair the committee. The search committee will consist of at least one faculty member from each college (at least three from the College of Arts and Sciences) and the University library. The committee will also include at least one representative of the staff senate, the graduate school, the student body, the deans council, and a representative of the Division of Continuing Education. Other members may be added to provide for balanced representation in the search process.

Please forward your nominations/expressions of interest to me by noon Thursday, April 22.

— — Charles Kupchella, president.

President Kupchella will address University Council May 3

President Kupchella will address the University Council at 4 p.m. Monday, May 3, in the Memorial Union Ballroom.

The University Council consists of the following who are employed primarily on the Grand Forks campus: the president, vice presidents, registrar, director of libraries, all deans, all department chairpersons, all full-time faculty of the rank of instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, and professor; program directors, coordinators, assistant and associate deans who concurrently hold faculty rank; the director of the counseling center; professional librarians, and such other academic personnel and administrative officers as the council may designate. The quorum of the council necessary for the transaction of business is 25 percent of the council membership (or 144 of the current 576 members). The president is the ex officio chairman, and the registrar is the ex officio secretary. Council meetings are open to the public, and students, staff and the general public are invited to attend.

— Nancy Krogh (registrar), University Council secretary.

Reminder to complete harassment training program

We thank those who have completed harassment training. If you have not yet completed the training, please do so

immediately. This training is required for all faculty and staff, graduate students who teach, and students who supervise others in support of UND's efforts to promote a respectful campus community for everyone. If you have any questions regarding how to access the training program, please contact the Office of General Counsel at 777-6345. Thanks for your cooperation.

– Charles Kupchella, president.

April 26 forum discusses Centers of Excellence proposal

We invite UND faculty, staff, and students to join us and other community leaders to meet with Gov. Hoeven Monday, April 26, to discuss the governor's \$50 million proposal to fund new Centers of Excellence. As you may be aware, the governor has proposed establishing a fund with the aim of accelerating the growth of targeted industries in all regions of North Dakota by creating partnerships among higher education, industry, and entrepreneurs. The proposed \$50 million fund, leveraged with matching federal and state funds to \$150 million, would create new Centers of Excellence at all of the state's campuses for this purpose.

The governor would be pleased to discuss this plan with you. Please join us at the "Centers of Excellence Community Forum" from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, April 26, in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

– Peter Alfonso, vice president for research, and Phil Harmeson, senior associate to the president.

Minot family medicine residency program earns five-year reaccreditation

The UND family medicine residency program in Minot has been accredited for another five years, the longest term possible, by the Family Practice Residency Review Committee which acts for the national Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

The program, conducted at the Minot Center for Family Medicine and directed by C. Milton Smith, associate professor of family medicine, in past years has received three years of accreditation.

"I am really excited about this," Smith said. "This is a testament to the work of UND and Trinity Hospital and our relationship." The five-year accreditation gives the Minot residency program time to develop and grow in a new location with excellent faculty and rural-oriented programs, said Smith. The program will move into a new facility for which ground is expected to be broken this spring in southwest Minot and completed by spring 2005.

Smith credits the high rating from the residency review committee to outstanding faculty, a very supportive hospital, and a dean and chair who believe in us. "Plus, we do a great job at training doctors."

Fifteen physicians-in-training, or residents, are training in the three-year program in Minot. Upon successful completion of the program, they are eligible to sit for examination to become board-certified in family medicine.

According to Elizabeth Burns, chair and professor in the Department of Family Medicine, "The faculty of the Minot Center for Family Medicine are doing a terrific job of educating their resident-physicians to be the family physicians of the 21st century. The close working relationship with Trinity Health System and the community outreach programs that Dr. Smith has developed are a testament to the dynamism and vision he brings to the residency."

The year-long accreditation process begins with a self-study report to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) which outlines the status of the program's affiliated hospital and UND and the agreements between them. It also includes information on faculty members and residents, patient visits and other issues. After the report is submitted, the program hosts a two-day site visit by a representative of the ACGME. Reviews are conducted by experts in graduate medical education program evaluation, using the guidelines of the Family Practice Residency Review Committee. Family medicine residency training is also conducted by the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences in Bismarck and Grand Forks.

– Amanda Scurry, Public Affairs, School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

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EVENTS TO NOTE

LEEPS lecturer will discuss climate change

Henry N. Pollack from the University of Michigan will present the next LEEPS lecture Friday, April 16, in 100 Leonard Hall. At noon in 100 Leonard Hall, he will discuss "Climate Change: The View from Underground."

The geology and geological engineering Leading Edge of Earth and Planetary Science (LEEPS) lecture program brings nationally and internationally known scientists and others to UND to give talks on cutting edge science and engineering. Lectures cover a wide range of topics, including academic science, applied engineering, and environmental issues of current significance.

For more information, contact Dexter Perkins at 777-2991.

– Geology and geological engineering.

"Living Legend" Shirley Chater will speak at nursing forum

Shirley Chater is the featured speaker at a nursing leadership forum to be held at the Alerus Center Friday, April 16, 8:30 a.m. to noon. Dr. Chater serves as the chair of the National Advisory Committee for the Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellows Program. She was a University of California Regents Professor at the Institute for Health and Aging, University of California, San Francisco from 1997-1998. She previously served as the commissioner of the United States Social Security Administration from 1993-1997, and has served as president of Texas Woman's University and vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of California, San Francisco. As an independent lecturer and consultant, Chater works with many universities and organizations. She also serves as a senior consultant with the Academic Search Consultation Service, Washington, D.C./Mill Valley, Calif. Honored by the American Academy of Nursing as a "Living Legend" 2000, she holds a bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of Pennsylvania, a master's degree in nursing from the University of California, San Francisco, and 12 honorary doctorate degrees.

The leadership form is sponsored by Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellows Loretta Heuer, associate professor of nursing, and Debbie Swanson, nursing supervisor, Grand Forks Public Health Department. There will be a panel discussion featuring North Dakota nurse leaders: Darleen Bartz, chief, health resources section, North Dakota Department of Health; Elizabeth Nichols, dean of UND's College of Nursing; Evelyn Quigley, senior executive and chief nursing officer, MeritCare Health System, and Margret Reed, chief nurse executive and administrator of surgical services, Altru Health System.

There is no charge for this event, which is open to the public. Pre-registration is requested but not required. A continental breakfast will be provided. Registrations can be completed at www.und.edu/dept/nursing/nlf/index.html. For more information, contact Loretta Heuer, 777-4527, or Debbie Swanson, 787-8113.

– College of Nursing.

Biology faculty candidate presents lecture

On Friday, April 16, at noon in 141 Starcher Hall, Rebecca Simmons will present "The Evolution of Defense and Courtship Behaviors in Mimetic Tiger Moths (Lepidoptera: Arctiidae)." Dr. Simmons is from the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., and is a candidate for the evolutionary biology position here.

– Biology department.

Biomedical Research Center sponsors seminars

The School of Medicine and Health Sciences Center of Biomedical Research Excellence, Pathophysiology of Neurodegenerative Disease, and the Department of Pharmacology, Physiology and Therapeutics invite you to attend two seminars, both in room 5520 of the Medical School.

At 3 p.m. Friday, April 16, a seminar titled "Sorting Out Serotonin Using Viral Gene Transfer" will be presented by John F. Neumaier, associate professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Washington and Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.

The second seminar, "c-Fos Activates Specific Enzymes in the Endoplasmic Reticulum Phospholipid Biosynthetic Pathway and Sustains Growth in Cultured Neurons" is set for 3 p.m. Friday, April 23, and will be presented by Beatriz L. Caputto, a full professor in the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Cordoba School of Medicine, Cordoba, Argentina. Please feel free to contact Matthew Picklo at 777-2293 for any questions regarding this seminar. All are welcome to attend.

— School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Empire Arts Center features movie, concert, seminar

Following are upcoming events at the Empire Arts Center.

Friday, April 16: Independent movie, Dick's Beer, 7:30 p.m. This film was made in the Fargo-Moorhead area.

Saturday, April 17: Independent movie, Dick's Beer, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 22: Showtime@the Empire, 8 p.m. Artists to be announced.

Friday, April 23: Seminar, "A Framework for Understanding Poverty," 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Open to the public.

Saturday, April 24: Concert, Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 25: Concert, Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra, 2 p.m.

— Jan Orvik, editor, University Letter, for the Empire Arts Center.

Hands-On Learning Fair is Saturday at Purpur Arena

The annual Hands-On Learning Fair will take place Saturday, April 17, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Purpur Arena in Grand Forks. This year's theme, "Early Years Are Learning Years – Make Them Count," will feature a large variety of fun learning activities. Children aged birth to 7 and their families are invited to participate in this celebration, which also includes complimentary healthy snacks and parent information. The Hands-On Learning Fair is a free community event to mark April as the Month of the Young Child and Child Abuse Prevention Month. Sponsors are the Northeast Chapter of the N.D. Association For the Education of Young Children, Child Care Resources and Referral, Healthy Families Region IV, and Grand Forks County Social Services. Every moment in a young child's life is a chance to discover more about the world and lay the foundation for lifelong learning. Make it happen at the Hands-On Learning Fair.

— Jo-Anne Yearwood, University Children's Center and Child Care Services.

Electrical outages planned for several dates in April

The campus will experience several planned electrical outages to install three major generators. These generators will cut electricity costs and serve as emergency backups. Please review the following dates and times and inform facilities of any major complications you may have. Please call Mark Johnson, 777-2336, with your concerns.

We realize this is a major inconvenience and ask your help and cooperation. It is imperative that the generators be installed prior to the air conditioning season to avoid major increases in our electrical costs.

The electrical outages to tie in the generators have been scheduled as follows:

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. (16 hours)

Circuit #4, which includes these buildings: Bek Hall, Brannon Hall, College of Nursing, Corwin/Larimore Hall, Hancock Hall, KUND Radio Tower, McVey Hall, North Dakota School for the Blind, Noren Hall, Robertson-Sayre Hall, Selke Hall, Squires Hall, Strinden Center, Walsh Hall, West Hall, Wilkerson Hall.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. (16 hours)

Circuit #2, which includes these buildings: Chester Fritz Library, Core and Sample Library, Old Engelstad Arena, Hyslop Sports Center, Law and Law Library, McCannel Hall, Memorial Stadium, Memorial Union, Montgomery Hall, O'Kelly/Ireland, Starcher Hall, Swanson Hall.

SATURDAY, MAY 22, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. (14 hours) and SUNDAY, MAY 23, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. (14 hours)

Circuit #1, which includes these buildings: Auxiliary Services, Building Mechanical Shop, Central Foods, Central Receiving, Chester Fritz Auditorium, Community Center/Daycare, Facilities, Gamble Hall, Housing Office, Odegard Hall, Recycling Building, Streibel Hall, Transportation/Grounds, West Green 1-14.

— Larry Zitzow, director, facilities.

Geographic Issues Forum to hear James Rush

James A. Rush, a geography graduate student, will present "Bucking the National Trend in Manufacturing Decline: Case Studies in Southeastern North Dakota" at 11 a.m. Monday, April 19, in 370 Clifford Hall. All are invited and welcome to attend. — Devon Hansen, Geography.

Honors students to participate in 2004 Undergraduate Research Conference

The UND Honors Program will present its Sixth Annual Undergraduate Research Conference on Monday, April 19, in the Memorial Union. The conference is free and open to the public.

Twenty-seven seniors will present the results of multi-semester in-depth independent research projects. During their research, each student works closely with a faculty mentor who serves as chair of the resulting senior thesis. The senior thesis process is overseen by the Honors Committee, whose membership consists of faculty appointed by the University Senate and students elected by the Honors Program.

Following is a schedule of the day's events.

9 a.m.: Sciences Panel, Lecture Bowl

Carrie Hendrix, Bismarck, "A Critique of Animal Research and Animal Training Inspired by My Experience at the Dolphin Research Center" (Richard Crawford, biology, chair); Mary Jaros-Gourneau, Grand Forks, "Molecular Systematic Study of Neascus-type Metacercariae from the Phoxinus eos-neogaeus Gynogenetic Cyprinid Complex in Voyageurs National Park" (Vasyl Tkach, biology, chair); Ryan Klapperich, Mankato, Minn., "Aquifer Denitrification: Correlation of ¹⁵N Isotopic Enrichment and First Order Rate Constants" (Scott Korom, geology and geological engineering, chair).

10 a.m.: Social Sciences Panel I, Lecture Bowl

Kimberly Emil, Mandan, "Improving State's End-of-Life Policies: A Look at Oregon's Death With Dignity Act" (Mary Kweit, political science and public Administration, chair); Daidre Moberg, Grafton, N.D., "Mainstream Media vs. Alternative Media: An Analysis" (Brian White, honors program, chair); Katie Tyler, Lansford, N.D., "Are We Prepared Yet? A Look at North Dakota's Preparedness for Bioterrorism" (Tami Carmichael, humanities and integrated studies, chair).

11 a.m.: Humanities Panel, Lecture Bowl

Brett Narloch, Minto, N.D., "Lincoln, Douglas, and the Founding Fathers" (Eric Burin, history, chair); Nicole Riederer, Jamestown, N.D., "Goddess Religion: Today and Yesterday" (Scott Lowe, philosophy and religion, chair).

Noon to 1 p.m., Poster Presentations, Badlands Room

Matt Biwer, Bismarck, "Examination of Boldness in a Phoxinus eosneogaeus Gynogenic Complex" (Isaac Schlosser, biology, chair); Jennifer Carlson, Fargo, "Effect of PKC Activation on the Relationship of Gravin to Vesicular Transport Pathways" (Bryon Grove, anatomy and cell biology, chair); Jennifer Jordan, Thompson, N.D., "Autobiographical Memory in Angry and Anxious Individuals" (Amy Wenzel, psychology, chair); Katherine Splichal, Minot, "AB42 has Potential Direct and Indirect Effects on Mitochondria Leading to Alzheimer's Disease" (Garl Rieke, anatomy and cell biology, chair); Teather Sundstrom, Oriska, N.D., "Bioremediation and Penetration of 2,4-Dinitrotoluene from Wood and Concrete" (Evguenii Kozliak, chemistry, chair).

1 p.m., Humanities Panel II, Lecture Bowl

Christopher Johnston, Watford City, N.D., "Representations of the Law in Mass Media Films" (Brian White, honors program, chair); Sara J. Hansen, Deering, N.D., "Thinking Outside the Frame: How Museum Curators Shape the Viewer's Experience of Art" (Raymond Apiteri, art, chair); Anne Bakken, Grand Forks, "Identity in the Movement for Provencal" (David Marshall, English, chair).

2 p.m., Social Sciences Panel II, Lecture Bowl

Tiffany Motl, Grand Forks, "Marketing Research Applied: A Marketing Plan for the Grand Forks' Child Nutrition Program" (Robert Tangsrud Jr., marketing, chair); Hursha Ramaiya, Cooperstown, N.D., "The Consideration of Economic Consequences in Standard Setting for Accounting" (Harold Wilde, accounting and business law, chair); Crystal Bostow, Fargo, "Individual and Overt Religious Community Attitudes: A Cross-Cultural and Interdenominational Study Using a

Noam Chomsky Theory" (Cheryl Terrance, psychology, chair).

3 p.m., Social Sciences Panel III, Lecture Bowl

Margaret Ericson, Bismarck, "Where Did You Learn That? Sexuality Education and Sexual Knowledge" (Sheryl O'Donnell, English, chair); Tracy Emerson, Grand Forks, "The Influence of Attractiveness and Social Status on Socially Anxious Individuals' Sexual Behavior and Partner Selection" (Amy Wenzel, psychology, chair); Jack Rugroden, Coon Rapids, Minn., "Do Parents Matter?" (Jeanne Anderegg, honors program, chair).

4 p.m., Writers' and Artists' Showcase, River Valley Room

Katie Rau, Medina, N.D., "Mystery, Wonder and Awe: The True Nature of Science" (Sally Pyle, biology, chair); Ashley M. Helle, Edmore, N.D., "The Art of Thematic Poetry: Creative Yet Controlled" (Jeanne Anderegg, honors program, chair); Casey Gordon, Riverdale, N.D., "Gerunds, Nouns, and Present Participles: A Collection of Short Stories" (Darin Kerr, honors program, chair); Seth Christman, Lemmon, S.D., "Music to My Ears: The Definition and Creation of a Modern Musical" (Jeanne Anderegg, honors program, chair); Heather Tysse, Williston, N.D., "Churches and Bars: A Glimpse of Small-Town North Dakota" (Lynda Kenney, technology, chair).

— Jeanne Anderegg, Honors Program coordinator.

Agenda listed for graduate committee meeting

The graduate committee will meet Monday, April 19, from 3:05 to 5 p.m. in 305 Twamley Hall. The agenda will include:

1. Approval of minutes from April 5.
2. Ph.D. program proposal in scientific computing (Ron Marsh).
3. Request for new course in chemistry: Chemistry 508, Departmental Lecture.
4. Request to change title of Chemistry 509, Seminar, to Graduate Seminar. The course description will be added that states: Student presentation of a seminar based on current peer-reviewed literature.
5. Request for change in program requirements for the Chemistry Master of Science, Chemistry Master of Science non-thesis option and the Chemistry Doctor of Philosophy incorporating the new course Chem 508 and making the change to Chemistry 509.
6. Music workshops for graduate credit. (Gary Towne will present).
7. Request for course change of Nursing 504, Advanced Pharmacology I. They are adding that the prerequisite to taking this course be admission to the nurse anesthesia specialization.
8. Program review of Social Work (Forrest Ames summarizing).

— Joseph Benoit, dean, Graduate School.

Colloquium considers "Journalism in Asia"

The School of Communication is pleased to announce a lecture by Dra. Hernani Sirikit, visiting Eisenhower Fellow, who will present "Journalism in Asia" Tuesday, April 20, at 7 p.m. in 334 O'Kelly Hall. A reception following the presentation will be held in the Schlasinger Reading Room, 200 O'Kelly Hall. Co-sponsors are the North Dakota Newspaper Association and School of Communication.

— School of Communication.

Community forum on Dull Knives set for April 20

Because of the great interest in the Exploring the American Indian Experience series this spring, people have requested another community-wide discussion of the book, *The Dull Knives of Pine Ridge: A Lakota Odyssey*. Another event will be held Tuesday, April 20, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Barnes & Noble Coffee Shop. UND's Department of Indian Studies faculty members, Birgit Hans, Greg Gagnon and Brian Gilley will lead the discussions about this four-generation biography of the Dull Knives from the 1870s to the 1990s.

Author Joe Starita's story of the Dull Knife family gives a unique glimpse of Lakota culture during a time of major transition. That transition from a nomadic lifestyle to reservation life created challenges as well as the move into contemporary reservation life, especially during the turbulent 1970s. Many issues will be explored, among them cultural identity, traditional women's roles, contemporary tribal government, and Lakota family structure. *The Dull Knives of Pine Ridge* illustrates the human experiences of the Lakota within the large historic context. NOTE: *The Dull Knives of Pine Ridge* is available for loan at the East Grand Forks Campbell Library, Grand Forks Public Library, and the Chester Fritz Library. Books are available for purchase at Barnes & Noble University Bookstore. For more information about this event, contact

the Division of Continuing Education at 777-2663, or visit this web site at www.conted.und.edu/AIE.

— Dawn Botsford, Office of the Vice President for Student and Outreach Services.

Final Box Lunch discussion will focus on undergraduate students as teaching assistants

On Wednesday, April 21, the On Teaching Box Lunch Discussion Series will conclude with a session titled "Undergraduate Teaching Assistants: Economic Necessity or Effective Pedagogy?" Scheduled for noon to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Room, Memorial Union, the session will feature four faculty who received OID model project awards for designing projects that use advanced undergraduate students as peer teachers in lower-level classes. Dave Pierce (chemistry), Roger Melvold and Fran Sailer (microbiology and immunology), and Gayle Baldwin (philosophy and religion) will talk about why they initiated their projects, how they set them up, and what they have learned in the process. We will also have time to talk about the advantages and disadvantages of using undergraduate peer instructors in the classroom.

Whether you have used undergrads as peer instructors in your own classes or have just thought about the possibility, we invite you to participate in the discussion. To register and reserve a free box lunch, call Jana Hollands at 777-4998 by noon Monday, April 19.

— Libby Rankin, Office of Instructional Development.

Two presentations conclude women studies scholars series

The women studies spotlight on scholars series is pleased to wrap up the spring semester with the following presentations. Please attend one or both of these wonderful opportunities to support feminist scholarship on our campus. Both events are free and open to everyone, and there may even be some refreshments.

On Wednesday, April 21, at 3 p.m. we will be in the Burtneiss Theatre to honor the multitude of contributions made by Mary Cutler as she and fellow panelists discuss theater at UND and perhaps share some tidbits about the play showing later that evening, "Private Lives."

On Thursday, May 6, at 9 a.m. we will be in the Memorial Room, Memorial Union, to thank Cheryl Terrance for her insightful research contributions as she discusses "The Psychology of the Courtroom: The Gendered Nature of Self-Defense."

— Wendelin Hume (criminal justice), director, Women Studies.

Theatre arts presents Private Lives by Noel Coward

The comedy Private Lives by Noel Coward is the final production of the 2003-2004 "A Little Bit of Broadway in Your Own Backyard" season at theatre arts. In Private Lives Elyot Chase (played by Derek Dirlam) and Amanda Prynne (played by Margaret McDonald) meet five years after their divorce, upon the occasion of their honeymoon with new spouses, when all couples stay at the same hotel and . . . in adjoining suites! Elyot and Amanda's smoldering love affair re-ignites, and they run off to Amanda's Paris flat together. Therein they reestablish their notorious and delightfully entertaining pattern of their relationship: "moments of rapture alternating with increasingly ugly quarrels" (critic Milton Levin). Elyot's second wife, Sybil, (Anne K. Svanes) and Amanda's second husband, Victor, (Joe Mack) arrive to confront their new yet estranged spouses and are ushered in by maid Louise (Sharon Boonstra) to find the divorced couple engaged in sensual, hand to hand combat.

Private Lives is directed by Mary Cutler.

In conjunction with the production, theatre arts will feature a panel discussion, "Women Studies Spotlight" at 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, at Burtneiss Theatre. In addition, a symposium, "Gender and Comedy," featuring Penny Farfan, associate professor of drama at the University of Calgary and UND scholars, will take place at the Burtneiss Theatre Thursday, April 22, at 4 p.m. A lecture "Coward and Comic Form," by Farfan will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, April 23, at Burtneiss Theatre. Dr. Farfan will also lead two post-show discussions April 22 and April 23.

Private Lives will open April 20 and run until April 24 at the Burtneiss Theatre. All performances start at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 or \$6 with a student I.D. Free reserved parking is available on campus. For more information and reservations please call the Burtneiss Theatre box office at 777-2587.

— Theatre arts.

Activities mark Earth Day April 22

The annual Earth Day Celebration at UND is set for Thursday, April 22. Starting at 7:30 a.m., join the UND Wildlife Society and others on a trip to Kelly's Slough to welcome spring and the migratory birds. Vans will leave the Barnes and Noble parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and return at 9:30 a.m. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Earth Fair will feature 40 exhibitors on the main floor and outside the Memorial Union. At 12:30 p.m., Josh Slotnick, director for the Program in Ecological Agriculture and Society (PEAS) at the University of Montana, will present the Glenn Allen Paur Lecture, "Agroecology: Seeing Nature as a Pattern for the Design of Agricultural Systems," in 141 Starcher Hall. At 3:30 p.m. we will gather for a sharing of "Prayers for the Earth" across languages and traditions of our UND community. Feel free to bring prayers, poems, your presence. This event will be at the Soaring Eagle Prairie behind the Chester Fritz Library. A vegetarian meal will be served from 5 to 6:45 p.m. at the International Centre. At 7 p.m., this year's keynote speaker, Josh Slotnick, will talk on "Globalize Localization: The Connection between Food, Agriculture and Place." To end the evening, at 9 p.m. local band Seven Dollar Shift will play at the Loading Dock in the Memorial Union. All events are free and open to the public. The Earth Day Planning Team and the numerous volunteers associated with bringing this event to our community invite you to join us for this special day of celebration. For more information, please visit our web site at <http://www.und.nodak.edu/org/earthday/> or contact andrea.bailly@und.nodak.edu.

-- Glinda Crawford, sociology.

Reception to honor Chuck Kimmerle as "College Photographer of the Year"

A reception is set for Thursday, April 22, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the North Dakota Museum of Art to recognize Chuck Kimmerle of the Office of University Relations for being awarded the Photographer of the Year title for 2003 by the international higher education professional organization, the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). On display at the reception will be some of his work that earned him the honor from among the 3,000-plus colleges and universities internationally that make up the higher education professional organization. The reception is open to all.

A portfolio of his photos created for the University between Jan. 1, 2001, and Dec. 31, 2003, won him the 2003 Photographer of the Year distinction, which is accompanied by the annual and singular CASE Grand Gold Medal Award. Additionally, Kimmerle's work won two of the only eight medals that were awarded in the Individual Photography category for the 2003 CASE communication competition. He was the only entrant to win a gold medal and one of five to win a bronze medal.

The gold medal award was for a low-angle skyward-looking granite sculpture near Smith Hall and the English Coulee. The photo was used on the covers of both the UND main self-study for accreditation report and the executive summary report of the self-study.

The Grand Gold and gold medal winning entries will be on display at CASE's annual assembly in San Diego July 11-13, 2004.

As a photojournalist before joining UND in 2000 from the Grand Forks Herald, Kimmerle was named "Photographer of the Year" by both the Dakota Press Photographers Association and the Minnesota News Photographers Association. He also has won photo awards in the CASE regional competition in the past several years.

– Jim Penwarden, University Relations.

North Carolina's Lee Phillips to give LEEPS talk

Lee Phillips from the University of North Carolina-Pembroke will present the next LEEPS lecture Friday, April 23. The Department of Geology and Geological Engineering Leading Edge of Earth and Planetary Science lecture program (LEEPS) brings nationally and internationally known scientists and others to UND to give talks on cutting edge science and engineering. Lectures cover a wide range of topics, including academic science, applied engineering, and environmental issues of current significance.

Phillips will speak at noon in 100 Leonard Hall on "The Effects of Sea Level Change and Submarine Groundwater Flow and Discharge on the Precipitation of Early Diagenetic Carbonate Cements in Coastal Deposits: An Example from the Manitoba Escarpment Area." At 3 p.m. in 109 Leonard Hall he will discuss "Sequence Stratigraphic Controls on Synsedimentary Cementation and Preservation of Dinosaur Tracks: Example from the Early Cretaceous Dakota Formation, Southeastern Nebraska."

For more information contact Richard Josephs at 777-2131.

Florida biologist to present seminar

Dr. Hank Bass, assistant professor of biology at Florida State University, will present a seminar at noon Friday, April 23, in 141 Starcher Hall. His topic will be "Analysis of the Bouquet State of Meiosis in Maize."

– Biology Department.

Doctoral examinations set for Mitchell and Melby

The final examination for Lloyd Mitchell, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in teaching and learning: higher education, is set for 1 p.m. Friday, April 23, in Room 308 Education Building. The dissertation title is "The Development of a Definition, Classification System, and Model for the Introduction of Cultural Geology as a Merged Discipline." Janet Goldstein Ahler (education foundations and research) is the committee chair.

The final examination for Deborah Melby, a candidate for the Ed.D. degree with a major in educational leadership, is set for 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 28, in Room 208 Education Building. The dissertation title is "An Examination of the Influence of the UND Summer Camp Program Experience on New Students' Decision to Attend the University of North Dakota." Katrina Meyer (educational leadership) is the committee chair.

The public is invited to attend.

– Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school.

Law library, Union, wellness center closed April 24

The Thormodsgard Law Library, Memorial Union, and wellness center will be closed Saturday, April 24, because of a scheduled electrical outage.

U2 lists workshops

Below are U2 workshops for April 20-30. Visit our web site for additional workshops in April and May.

Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by phone, 777-2128; e-mail, U2@mail.und.nodak.edu; or online, www.conted.und.edu/U2/. Please include workshop title and date, name, department, position, box number, phone number, e-mail address, and how you first learned of the workshop. Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

Understanding Diversity, Looking Within Before We Look Out: April 20, 9 a.m. to noon, River Valley Room, Memorial Union. Fee is \$15 (includes refreshments and materials). Create an awareness of our own cultural values and beliefs while trying to understand those who may differ from us. We can't know everything about every culture, so we choose to look at diversity from an individual perspective. That way each person is given an opportunity to understand who they are and those who are different from us are not categorized into a stereotype. Presenter: Daniel Bjerknes.

Beneficial Work Station Design and Solving Ergonomic Problems: April 21, 9 to 10:30 a.m., Badlands Room, Memorial Union. New class designed to review ergonomic principles and factors relating to workstation design. Office, industrial, trade areas and tool selection will be included. In addition, problem solving methods will be utilized to address a variety of design problems. Class is appropriate for employees and supervisors in all areas on campus. Presenter: Claire Moen, safety and environmental health.

Choosing Your TIAA-CREF Income Options: April 21, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union.

Information on retirement options with TIAA-CREF will be presented. Presenter: Molly Melanson, TIAA-CREF.

Personal Safety and Security, Critical Issues: April 22, 2 to 4 p.m., 10-12 Swanson Hall. Violent crimes occur all too often whether in the work place, home, or in the course of our daily lives. It is important that individuals know what to do to protect themselves. This workshop will identify underlying causes of violent crimes, warning signs, and methods for heading off serious situations as well as planning for prevention. Presenter: Duane Czapiewski and Jason Uhlir.

Access XP, Intermediate: April 26, 28, and 30, 9 a.m. to noon (nine hours total). Prerequisite: Access Beginning.

Manage databases and data, import and export data, control data entry. Use advanced tables, queries, forms, and reports; make your data available on the Web.

Finding Funding, How to Use The Community of Science Search Engine and More: April 26, 2 to 4 p.m., 361 Upson

II Hall. Nearly one year ago, UND moved from using Sponsored Programs Information Network (SPIN) to the Community of Science (COS), giving faculty and staff more extensive search capabilities, as well as a variety of other services. For many years, the office of research and program development staff selected representative samples of funding opportunities from a variety of academic areas and published them in the University Letter. However, the number of funding opportunities that are available greatly exceeds the number printed weekly in the University Letter. ORPD is concerned that faculty seeking research opportunities may miss them simply because they do not see something of interest in the University Letter. Consequently, as of July 1, 2004, ORPD will no longer list funding opportunities in the University Letter, but rather will encourage faculty and staff to register with COS.

This workshop will show faculty and staff how to use some of the Community of Science's services including:

- COS Expertise, the database of detailed, first person profiles of more than 480,000 research professionals
- COS Funding Opportunities, the largest source of grant information on the Web
- COS Funding Alert, which will email members once a week with relevant, new, and update funding opportunities.

All of the above services can be accessed using your COS Workbench, a customized internet work area based on details that you provide in your COS Expertise profile. Presenter: Sarah Smith.

Working in Confined Spaces: April 27, 9 to 11 a.m., Badlands Room, Memorial Union. Confined spaces can be deadly. Reinforce understanding of the risks associated with working in confined spaces such as manholes, trenches, cable vaults and attics. The following topics are included in the workshop: identification of a confined space and its conditions; toxic, flammable, and oxygen-deficient atmospheres; hazards and proper personal protective equipment; and roles and responsibilities. Presenter: Jason Uhlir.

Defensive Driving: April 27, 6 to 10 p.m., 211 Rural Technology Center. This workshop is required by state fleet for all UND employees who drive state fleet vehicles on a regular (monthly) basis, received a traffic violation, or had an accident while operating a state fleet vehicle. Employees are encouraged to bring a family member. This workshop may also reduce your North Dakota insurance premiums and could possibly remove points from your driving record. Presenter: Officer Dan Lund.

Average Joe Estate Planning: April 28, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., 10-12 Swanson Hall. Learn about estate planning, wills, what probate is and how to avoid it. Presenter: John Jeffrey, Attorney at Law.

— Julie Sturges, U2 program assistant, University within the University.

Gaffaney's will show new markerboard technology

Here's an opportunity to see the latest in markerboard technology. A mobile presentation theater representing the Egan & TeamBoard products is set for Monday, April 26, at Gaffaney's, 1809 13th Ave. N.

— Jerry Clancy, Purchasing.

UND hosts visiting PBK Scholar April 26-27

Margaret Berger, the Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar, will be on campus Monday and Tuesday, April 26 and 27. She will present a public lecture at 8 p.m. Monday in the Lecture Bowl of the Memorial Union. The lecture topic will be "Rethinking the Need for Finality in Criminal Proceedings: the Impact of DNA Evidence." Everyone is invited to attend.

Margaret Berger is the Suzanne J. and Norman Miles Professor of Law at Brooklyn Law School, where she joined the faculty in 1973 and teaches civil procedure, evidence, and courses on the interaction of science and law. She was recently recognized by the American Law Institute/American Bar Association with the Rawle Award for her role in developing new approaches to judicial treatment of scientific evidence and in educating the legal and science communities about ways to implement these approaches. She currently serves on the National Research Council Panel on Science, Technology, and the Law, and was the reporter for the Post-Conviction Issues Working Group of the National Commission on the Future of DNA Evidence. Berger has published numerous articles and has authored chapters in both editions of the Federal Judicial Center's Reference Manual on Scientific Evidence and is co-author of Weinstein's Evidence: Commentary on Rules of Evidence for the United States Courts and Magistrates.

— Mary Kweit, vice president, UND chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

Fossil fuel science expert to present seminars

Please join us Tuesday, April 27, for the following seminars by Curt White from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)

National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL). He is a UND alumnus and is the carbon sequestration science focus area leader at DOE-NETL. He has more than 30 years of industrial, government, and academic research experience in various areas of fossil fuel science, including polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon chemistry, the analytical chemistry of fossil fuels, the geochemistry of sulfur in fossil fuels, and supercritical fluid technologies including extraction and chromatography.

10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union – “Separation and Capture of CO₂ from Large Stationary Sources and Sequestration in Geological Formations – Coalbed and Saline Aquifers.”

1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Lewis and Clark Meeting Room, Energy and Environmental Research Center – “An Initial Set of Working Hypotheses Concerning Some Chemical and Physical Events When CO₂ is Injected into a Coalbed.”

All are welcome to attend. Contact Patti Reimer at 777-5070 or preimer@undeerc.org with any questions.

Operation Graduation planned for seniors

Telesis, the UND Student Alumni Association, and the UND Alumni Association are inviting all graduating seniors to “Operation Graduation” Wednesday, April 28, at the Alumni Center in the J. Lloyd Stone Building next to Gamble Hall. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participating students can enjoy free pizza, refreshments, gifts, and prizes. Information about what the Alumni Association offers to graduates will also be available. – Telesis.

PAC-W announces “Speaking Out” event

The President’s Advisory Council on Women (PAC-W) is pleased to announce our spring event, “Speaking Out and Reaching Out,” at the Hilton Garden Inn on Thursday, April 29, from 4 to 7 p.m. The event is free, and all faculty, staff, and graduate students are encouraged to attend. Here is a chance for your voice to be heard and taken seriously as we share our thoughts or concerns and try to improve our university. The main topics for discussion include:

Graduate Student Issues and Mentoring
Women and Service Issues
Family Issues
Mentoring How-To’s
Feeling Undervalued/Underpaid – Climate Issues
Harassment and Other Employment Concerns

Current PAC-W members will facilitate the discussions. Our goal is to work together to formulate possible improvements. Please bring your concerns, ideas, and a little bit of an appetite as a variety of hors d’oeuvres will be available. If you would like to attend, please R.S.V.P. by Monday, April 26, providing your name, department or area, whether you are staff, graduate student or faculty, and the number attending to Wendelin Hume at 777-4115 or wendelin.hume@und.edu (leaving a message is fine).

If you are interested in becoming a member of PAC-W and advocating for equity, please submit your contact information and a brief written statement explaining your interest to any of the PAC-W members or Wendelin Hume at Box 7013. Appointments are typically for three years and subject to the approval of the president. To find out more about PAC-W, you can visit our web site at <http://www.und.edu/org/pacw/>.

— Wendelin Hume (criminal justice), chair, PAC-W.

Campus involvement and student learning is teleconference topic

The National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience® and Students in Transition production, “Campus Activities: Creating Intentional Connections for Student Learning,” is scheduled for Thursday, April 29, from noon to 2 p.m. in the River Valley Room, Memorial Union. The teleconference is sponsored by Student and Outreach Services, Career Services, and TRIO Programs. Do educators on your campus still view campus activities as only the “fun and games” part of campus life? Today, campus activities provide an invaluable opportunity for student engagement and learning. This teleconference discussion centers on the evolution of campus activities from merely providing entertainment to embracing student learning outcomes. Our experts lead a conversation on the crucial role co-curricular and extracurricular activities play in student success. They explore lessons learned from assessment and share proven strategies that make a difference in our students’ college experience.

– TRIO Programs.

Third R&D Showcase is April 29 at Fargodome

North Dakota State University will host the third annual R&D Showcase Thursday, April 29, in the Fargodome.

The main speakers will be:

-- Dr. Bruce McWilliams, CEO, Tessera Technologies, Silicon Valley, Calif., discussing intellectual property and the new economy. Tessera's flip-scale technology is used worldwide.

-- Bruce Wood, director, John Deere & Company, Moline, Ill., describing how John Deere commercializes new products through research and development.

-- Dr. Paul Drzaic, vice president for advanced development, Alien Technology Co. Morgan Hill, Calif., will close the one-day event describing the Alien Technology story and their decision to locate in North Dakota.

The program and registration information can be found at www.ndsuresearchpark.com.

Thanks to the showcase sponsors, there is no charge for the sessions, morning and afternoon break refreshments, luncheon, and conference materials. There will be a \$35 charge for the social and dinner.

Register now for your seat at this exciting event. See you on Thursday, April 29.

– Bruce Gjovig, Center for Innovation.

2004 Merrifield Competition deadline approaches

Faculty are asked to remind students that all papers to be considered for the annual Merrifield Competition Award must be submitted to the Department of Special Collections, Chester Fritz Library, no later than 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 30, 2004.

The \$1,500 UND scholarship is awarded annually based upon a competitive review of original research papers that utilize primary resource materials held in the Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections, Chester Fritz Library. More information concerning research criteria and paper guidelines is available in Special Collections, located on the library's fourth floor.

– Sandy Slater, head, Special Collections, Chester Fritz Library.

Haydn, Mozart featured in April 30 Master Chorale concert

The Grand Forks Master Chorale and members of the Greater Grand Forks Symphony will join forces for "Masterworks Concert: Haydn's Sancti Nicolai and Mozart's Vesperae solennes de Confessore," Friday, April 30, 7 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church.

Now in its 21st year, the Grand Forks Master Chorale is a 40-plus-voice auditioned choir under the direction of Michael J. Weber with accompanist Lacey Oar.

Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door. Senior citizens get a break at \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door, and students get the best deal: \$5 in advance, \$7 at the door. Tickets are available through the Chester Fritz Auditorium box office, 777-4090. The Master Chorale is supported in part by the North Dakota Council on the Arts and the Myra Foundation. The Master Chorale is a member of the North Valley Arts Council, which is supporting this concert as part of its regranting project.

Strategic planning orientation sessions set

Strategic planning orientation sessions are set for Tuesday, May 4, and Monday, May 17. These two-hour sessions, designed for staff and faculty in leadership positions, including department heads, chairpersons, deans, vice presidents, directors, and unit leaders, are designed to be refreshers for those that attended similar sessions four years ago. Those new to the University since then would be especially encouraged to attend.

They will include discussions on how to proceed with the strategic planning process in your areas. You will look at examples of successful planning efforts, discuss ideas, and learn about "tools" to make your planning efforts easier. You will also discuss reasons for planning, overcoming the negatives, UND strategic planning model, facilitating the planning process, materials and other planning assistance.

Session facilitators are Dennis Elbert, dean, College of Business and Public Administration, and James Shaeffer, dean, outreach programs.

Choose one of these two-hour sessions that fits into your schedule: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, at the River Valley Room, Memorial Union, or 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Monday, May 17, at the Memorial Union Ballroom.

For proper planning you are asked to register by contacting the U2 office within one week of the session start date at 777-2128 or send us an e-mail at U2@mail.und.nodak.edu. Contact us if you have special needs or require accommodations. – Judy Streifel Reller, University Within the University coordinator.

U Senate to meet May 6

A meeting of the University Senate is set for Thursday, May 6, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Agenda items for this meeting are due in the Office of the Registrar by noon Thursday, April 22. They may be submitted electronically to: Nancy.Krogh@mail.und.nodak.edu. It is recommended that some detail be included in the agenda items submitted.

– Nancy Krogh (registrar), secretary, University Senate.

Staff recognition ceremony set for May 11

The 2004 Recognition Ceremony for Staff Personnel is set for Tuesday, May 11, in the Memorial Union Ballroom beginning at 11:30 a.m. Employees will be recognized for Years of Service in five year increments, 10 Meritorious Service Award winners will be announced, as will the winner of the Ken and Toby Baker UND Proud Award. Tickets may be purchased in the Office of Human Resources, 313 Twamley Hall, for \$3.50 each or from the human resources manager in your department. Tickets must be purchased no later than Wednesday, May 5. All members of the University community are invited.

– Joy Johnson, Human Resources.

UND offers summer writing camp for teens June 7-18

The English department is offering a two-week writing camp June 7-18 for students who will be in grades 9 to 12 next fall. Participants will explore a variety of writing genres including fiction, memoir, poetry, scriptwriting and journalism. Part of UND Summer Sessions, the camp will culminate in public readings at a local coffee shop.


Sessions will be from 12:15 to 3:15 p.m., with alternate days for additional writing time, and home assignments as well. Camp directors are UND writing instructors Kathy Coudle King and Kate Sweney, both published writers.

King has written more than 15 plays, five screenplays, a published novel, Wannabe, and many essays and short stories. She has a BFA in dramatic writing from New York University and an M.A. in English from UND. She has been teaching in the UND English department since 1991 and in the women studies program since 1997.

Sweney has worked as a journalist, technical writer, editor, public relations writer and a teacher for more than 20 years. Her free-lance articles have appeared in USA Today and True West magazine, among others. She co-edited Day In, Day Out: Women's Lives in North Dakota and was associate editor of Plainswoman magazine for several years.

Early bird registration of \$120 ends June 1. After June 1, the cost will be \$130. A limited number of partial scholarships (\$65) are available for students who write a letter expressing their need and include a writing sample. This can be sent to the UND Department of English, Summer Writing Camp, P.O. Box 7209, Grand Forks, ND 58202.

For information, or to register, call 777-3612 or 777-3322; or e-mail kathleen.king@und.nodak.edu or kathryn.sweney@und.nodak.edu.

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Proposals sought for American Indian grant project

The following information describes the American Indian Student Services grant proposal project. Given our campus commitment to diversity, this could be an opportunity for your department to implement a program of support for recruiting American Indian students to your area. Be assured that our office will be a collaborating partner in the development and implementation of your program, and we are willing to assist you as much as possible. If you would like to discuss this in person, please contact my administrative secretary, Darlene Ihrke, at 777-4291. I look forward to meeting and working with you.

Project purpose: The Office of American Indian Student Services (AISS) is launching an American Indian grant proposal project that offers departments, faculty, and/or staff a monetary award for submitting grant proposals that would result in new programs or initiatives which focus on providing a variety of opportunities including student support services to American Indian students attending UND. Timeline: Letters of intent can be submitted through June 15, 2004, with a response one week after submission. Letters of intent should provide the following information. (1) Funding agency and proposal submission deadline. (2) Grant writer or principal investigator. (3) Proposal summary (purpose, goals, activities, duration of grant proposal, and approximate proposal budget amount. (4) Involved faculty/staff. (5) Potential collaborations. (6) Potential for continuation. Send letter of intent to American Indian Student Services, Box 8274. – Leigh Jeanotte, director, American Indian Student Services.

Strategic planning facilitator placement service offered

Departments opting to use the services of a facilitator for strategic planning sessions should contact the U2 office to request a facilitator. There is no cost to the requesting department. Please contact our office within two to three weeks of your planning session for best scheduling accommodations. The U2 office phone number is 777-4266 or e-mail judy.streifel.reller@mail.und.nodak.edu. — Judy Streifel Reller, University Within the University coordinator.

U Senate election results announced

The following 16 University Council members were elected on an at-large basis to serve two-year terms on the University Senate from September 2004 through August 2006: Jane Berne, Royce Blackburn, Judy DeMers, Van Doze, Mary Drewes, Janice Goodwin, Emmanuel Grant, James Hikins, Sue Jenö, Kent Lovelace, Scott Lowe, Rosanne McBride, Thomas Petros, Matthew Picklo, Charles Robertson, and Allan Skramstad.

Jan Goodwin was elected to serve a five-year term on the faculty rights committee. Douglas Munski was elected to serve a three-year term on the Council of College Faculties.

The 30 faculty elected to the special review committee for 2004-2005 are: Harmon Abrahamson, James Antes, Jane Berne, Sharon Carson, Glinda Crawford, Richard Crawford, Mary Cutler, Albert Fivizzani, Janice Goodwin, William Gosnold, Thomasine Heitkamp, Mark Hoffmann, Wendelin Hume, Cindy Juntunen-Smith, Melinda Leach, Randy Lee, Kent Lovelace, Scott Lowe, James Mochoruk, Janet Moen, Douglas Munski, David Perry, Thomas Petros, Kimberly Porter, Thomas Rand, Elizabeth Rankin, Charles Robertson, Kathy Smart, Mary Wakefield, and Margaret Zidon.

— Nancy Krogh (Registrar), Secretary, University Senate.

“Grade Report” forms available April 27

The “Grade Report” forms will be available in the Office of the Registrar for pickup by the department offices beginning at 9 a.m. Tuesday, April 27. The procedures to follow and deadlines will be noted in a memo attached to the report forms. Please note: Grade report forms must be received no later than noon Tuesday, May 18. If you have questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to call me at 777-2712. — Nancy Krogh, registrar.

Warn students against misuse of registration system

Faculty, please make your students aware of this: Misuse of the registration system (i.e. registering for multiple sections of a course, etc.) will result in the student being dropped from all of the sections. This statement can be found on pages 2 and 3 of the fall 2004 schedule of courses.

If you have questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to call me at 777-2694. — Nancy Krogh, registrar.

Site license software requests deadline is June 15

Be aware that the last day for submitting site license software requests for this fiscal year is June 15, 2004.

Below are the yearly product renewal cycles:

ESRI products are from July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005. This license needs to be renewed yearly. New and renewed licenses must still be ordered on the regular ITSS software licensing order form at <http://www.und.edu/dept/itss/software.html>.

AutoCAD/desk is Oct. 15, 2004, through Oct. 14, 2005.

SAS-PC: The current year's contract with PC-SAS expired on Feb. 28, 2004. On March 1, 2004, you are able to order new or renew your current PC-SAS licenses. Once again, the PC-SAS license for this year's contract will have no license fee.

New and renewed licenses must still be ordered on the regular ITSS Software Licensing Order Form found at <http://www.und.edu/dept/itss/software.html>.

If you have questions regarding software licensing issues, please contact me at Carol.hjelmstad@mail.und.nodak.edu, or call 777-3171.

Accounting services is moving soon; submit items as soon as possible

Accounting services is tentatively scheduled to move to their new location, 115 Twamley Hall, at the end of April. To ensure all April transactions will be processed for month-end closing, please submit all payment vouchers, interdepartmental billings, and any other accounting documents as soon as possible. Your assistance is appreciated.

– Allison Peyton and Lisa Heher, Accounting Services.

Grand Cities Art Fest introduces Emerging Artist Program

Because selling artwork can be an art in itself, the Downtown Leadership Group of Grand Forks is proud to introduce Emerging Artist Program. Five young artists will learn how to market their work by exhibiting at the 2004 Grand Cities Art Fest free of charge.

Five booths will be available in 2004 to artists ages 18 to 30 from North Dakota or Minnesota. Selected artists will receive use of a 10-by-10 foot pop-up tent, tables and chairs. Each participant also receives a \$100 expense allowance for purchase of display and/or artwork materials and mentoring by a professional artist.

Artists interested in applying for the Emerging Artist Program must submit an artist's statement and three to four photos or slides by the April 23 deadline. Selected artists must be able to present a sufficient body of original work before the June 12-13 event, which is expected to draw more than 30,000 guests.

"We believe there's often a disconnect between the education young artists receive for their craft and their knowledge of marketing and sales," said Traie Dockter, executive director. "Setting up emerging artists with display equipment and knowledge from experienced artists is something we can do to show support for the arts and young artists in our region." Artists interested in receiving an application should call (701) 738-8354 or e-mail info@downtowngrandcities.org.

The Emerging Artist Program is sponsored by the Downtown Leadership Group, the city of Grand Forks, Ecolab, the North Dakota Community Foundation, the Myra Foundation and the Greater Grand Forks Convention and Visitors Bureau. The Grand Cities Art Fest is sponsored in part by the Xcel Energy Foundation, Ben Franklin Crafts, KVLV TV-11, Leighton Broadcasting and the Grand Forks Herald. The Downtown Leadership Group is a non-profit, private-sector organization dedicated to promoting activities and development for downtown Grand Forks and East Grand Forks.

Studio One features drug test expert, domestic abuse training for hair stylists

Occupational health manager Jackie Walsh will discuss many aspects of drug testing on the next edition of Studio One on Channel 3 in Grand Forks. According to Walsh, nearly every occupation can use drug testing to screen and protect employees. We will hear ways people try to cheat on these tests and how the results affect a person's life.

Also on the next edition of Studio One, hair stylists are being used to reduce domestic violence. Victims build relationships with their stylists and may confide in them about abuse. We will learn about special training which alerts them to possible abuse.

Studio One is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center.

The program airs live at 5 p.m. on UND Channel 3 on Thursdays. Rebroadcasts can be seen at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m., and 11 p.m. daily and on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One on Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan, Minot, Minneapolis, the Portland, Ore., metro area, and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

– Studio One.

Studio One cited as best in region

Studio One, the University of North Dakota's television show, recently won numerous awards through the Northwest Broadcast News Association (Eric Sevareid Awards) and Society of Professional Journalists Mark of Excellence competitions. Cast and crew members of Studio One received 14 awards through the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) including seven first place awards. Through the Northwest Broadcast News Association (NBNA), students earned seven awards, five of them first place awards. The Studio One news segment was named "Best Television Newscast" by the Society of

Professional Journalists.

In the Northwest Broadcast News Association competition, which includes the six-state region of North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Iowa, Studio One received a first place award for Weathercast in the Student Market. Studio One also received an Award of Merit for Newscast from NBNA.

– Michelle Walters, Studio One.

Campus walking trail maps available

Enjoy walking? Feel stressed and need a break? Want to get in shape for spring? Want to become renewed and invigorated when outside? Check out the new walking trails on campus.

The physical wellness subcommittee along with Rick Tonder, associate director of facilities, has created 14 walking/running trails for the UND campus. The trails, approximately one mile in length, cover most regions of campus and can be interconnected for a 5-10 mile walk. Three of the trails are indoor routes for year-round use. The School of Medicine loop even includes stair climbing to increase the workout.

Maps are available at the Wellness Center and Memorial Union and online through the UND home page at www.und.nodak.edu and the Wellness Center home page at <http://wellness.und.edu/wellness>.

Obesity and poor fitness are serious health crises in America. College campuses are not immune. Let's lower the risk at UND. Get active, get fit, and get healthy. See you on the trails.

– Matt Remfert, co-chair, physical wellness subcommittee.

Bookstore seeks temporary part-time help

The UND Barnes and Noble Bookstore is accepting job applications for spring buy-back and fall book-rush. Temporary full-time and part-time positions are available for May and August. Capture our employee discounts on textbooks, trade books, and Fighting Sioux merchandise while earning extra money! Apply at 775 Hamline St. at the book information desk. Training begins April 27.

– UND Barnes and Noble Bookstore.

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Faculty, researchers sought for UND experts directory

President Charles Kupchella is asking faculty and researchers to help “populate” the newly redesigned online UND experts directory. Created by the Office of University Relations, the web site is one of several ways in which UND will showcase its expertise and at the same time provide access to service. It will also be a resource that will allow colleagues, the media, and the public in general to connect to expertise on campus. The UND Experts Directory can be accessed at <http://www.und.edu/experts>. The site currently spotlights academic units and stand-alone research centers, but it will soon be modified to include non-academic service units.

The retooled web site now features a searchable database. For example, type in “gene” and the following names (added during various test phases) pop up in the database: David Bradley, Ann Flower, Mahesh Lakshman, John Martsolf, Peter Meberg, Roger Melvold, Darrin Muggli, Matthew Nilles, Kevin Young.

The process for getting into the database is simple. The online submission form is designed to allow faculty and researchers to cut and paste from their vita, or, if you prefer, type in fresh material. In addition to basic information (name, title, contact information, etc.), the form allows you to include information under the following categories:

Education, Publications, Consulting, Research, Grants, Special Presentations, Patents, Works in Progress

To participate, faculty and researchers can go to <http://www.und.edu/experts/submit> and begin filling in the form. Note that you will be asked to provide your NAID number (which will be kept confidential). This will allow you to modify your entry at a later date. Faculty members, for example, may want to update their entries when they provide their October

supplements.

Funding opportunities will not run in University Letter as of July 1

We are approaching the end of the year of our conversion from the Sponsored Programs Information Network (SPIN) system to Community of Science (COS). COS, which has been provided by the ND State Board of Higher Education for all campuses, offers more extensive search capabilities than SPIN in addition to a variety of other services. The following text from the COS home page offers a brief description of the system:

"Community of Science, Inc. (COS) is the leading Internet site for the global R&D community. COS brings together the world's most prominent scientists and researchers at more than 1,600 universities, corporations and government agencies worldwide. COS provides tools and services that enable these professionals to communicate, exchange information and find the people and technologies that are important to their work.

These services include: COS Expertise®, the database of detailed, first person profiles of more than 480,000 R&D professionals; COS Funding Opportunities™ the largest source of grant information on the Web; COS Abstract Management System™ an online publishing solution for universities and professional societies; and customized access to a range of professional reference databases including U.S. Patents, MEDLINE, AGRICOLA, and GeoRef, among others."

For many years, ORPD staff have selected representative samples from funding opportunities for a variety of academic areas from the SPIN and COS systems, and we have published them in the University Letter. However, the number of funding opportunities that are available greatly exceeds the number we can publish each week. We are concerned that faculty seeking research opportunities may miss them simply because they do not see something of interest in the U-Letter. Consequently, as of July 1, we will change from listing a few samples of opportunities to encouraging faculty to subscribe to COS to receive announcements by e-mail or to conduct frequent searches for research opportunities using the COS system.

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— Will Gosnold, interim director, Office of Research and Program Development

Research, grant opportunities listed

Following are research and grant opportunities. For additional information, contact the Office of Research and Program Development at 777-4278 or shirley_griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu.

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AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY (AHRQ)

Grants for Health Services Research Dissertations support students whose dissertations focus on areas relevant to health services research, with emphasis placed on methodological and research topics in the following areas: improvements in health outcomes; health care quality measurement and improvement; strategies to improve access, foster appropriate use, and reduce unnecessary expenditures related to healthcare; medical errors/patient safety; translating research into practice and policy; bioterrorism; and health promotion and disease prevention. Contact: Greta Drott, 301-427-1530; training@ahrq.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/par-04-039.html>. Deadlines: 6/15/04, 10/15/04.

AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY (ACS)/ PETROLEUM RESEARCH FUND (PRF)

Scientific Education Grants support projects designed to enhance advanced scientific education and fundamental research in the petroleum field. Most awards provide partial funding for foreign speakers at major symposia. Areas of interest are: chemistry, the earth sciences, chemical engineering, and related fields such as polymers and materials science. Deadline: None. Contact: The Petroleum Research Fund, American Chemical Society, 202-872-4481; prfinfo@acs.org; <http://chemistry.org/portal/Chemistry?PID=acsdisplay.html&DOC=prf\prfgrant.html#typese>.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA)

Human Nutrition and Obesity– Support for integrated research, education and/or extension projects dealing with prevention of obesity. Deadline: 6/15/04. Contact: Etta Saltos, 202-401-5178; esaltos@csrees.usda.gov;

http://www.reeusda.gov/1700/funding/04/rfa_nri_04.htm.

GLASER PEDIATRIC AIDS FOUNDATION, ELIZABETH

Elizabeth Glaser Scientist Awards provide support to build a network of scientists focusing on issues of pediatric HIV/AIDS and creating a generation born free of this infection. Deadline: 6/11/04 (Letter of Intent). Contact: Jeff Safrit, 310-314-1459; EGSA@pedAIDS.org; http://www.pedaids.org/fs_grant_apps.html.

Scholar Awards—Postdoctoral fellowships for clinicians and scientists who focus their research on pediatric HIV/AIDS. Deadline: 6/11/04 (Letter of Intent). Contact: Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, 310-314-1459; research@pedaids.org; http://www.pedaids.org/fs_grant_apps.html.

HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE SOCIETY OF AMERICA

Initiative Grants support time-sensitive basic or clinical research related to Huntington's Disease. Contact: Research Grant Department, 212-242-1968; <http://www.hdsa.org/grant/grant.pl?researchguide>. Deadlines: 6/15/04, 9/15/04.

MULTIPLE MYELOMA RESEARCH FOUNDATION (MMRF)

Collaborative Program Grants provide support to bring together research programs focused on any aspect of myeloma. Deadlines: 6/15/04 (Preliminary Deadline); 9/15/04 (Full Application). Contact: Jill Shook, 203-972-1250; shookj@themmrf.org; <http://www.multiplemyeloma.org/research/5.05.asp>.

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION (MDA) - USA

Funding for research to develop treatments for muscular dystrophies and related diseases of the neuromuscular system. Development Grants support individuals who have 18 months of post-doctoral research laboratory training. Research Grant applicants must be professionals or faculty at educational, medical or research institutions and be qualified to conduct and supervise programs of original research. Contact: Grants Manager, 520-529-2000; grants@mdausa.org; <http://www.mdausa.org/research/guidelines.html>. Deadlines: 6/15/04, 12/15/04.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA)

Planetary Astronomy—Support for ground-based telescopic observations that contribute to understanding of general properties and evolution of the Solar System planets and their satellites, and of asteroids and comets. Deadline: 6/11/04. Contact: Lindley N. Johnson, 202-358-2314; Lindley.Johnson-1@nasa.gov; http://research.hq.nasa.gov/code_s/nra/current/nnh04zss001n/appendB_7.html.

NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)

Application of Emerging Technologies for Cancer Research—Support for projects evaluating usefulness of emerging technologies that are ready for initial application to clinical or biological questions in cancer research. Deadlines: 5/17/04, 9/17/04 (Letter of Intent); 6/17/04, 10/18/04 (Application). Contact: Gregory J. Downing, 301-496-1550; downingg@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-05-003.html>.

Early Detection Research Network: Clinical Epidemiology and Validation Centers—Support for Clinical Epidemiology and Validation Centers to develop, evaluate, and validate biomarkers for earlier cancer detection and risk assessment. Deadlines: 5/14/04 (Letter of Intent); 6/14/04 (Application). Contact: Sudhir Srivastava, 301-435-1594; srivasts@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-05-005.html>.

Innovations in Cancer Sample Preparation—Support for research to develop and significantly enhance or adapt sample preparation methodologies and technologies, develop of assays to assess sample quality, and to elucidate criteria by which to judge sample quality. Deadlines and Contact: See above or <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-05-004.html>.

Innovative Technologies for Molecular Analysis of Cancer—Support for projects to develop highly innovative cancer-relevant technologies, including methods and tools that enable research (e.g., instrumentation, techniques, devices, etc.). Deadlines and Contact: See above or <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-05-002.html>.

NATIONAL CENTER FOR RESEARCH RESOURCES (NCRR)

Technology Development for Biomedical Applications: Phased Innovation Awards support development of new and improved instruments or devices, new methodologies using existing instruments, or software related to instrumentation. Deadlines: 6/18/04, 10/15/04. Contact: Gregory K. Farber, 301-435-0755; gf48a@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RR-04-005.html>.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Grants for Research and Exploration support basic original field research in disciplines including anthropology, archaeology,

astronomy, biology, botany, geography, geology, oceanography, paleontology, and zoology, with emphasis on multidisciplinary projects that address environmental issues such as loss of biodiversity and habitat and effects of human-population pressures. Deadline: None. Contact: Committee for Research and Exploration, National Geographic Society, <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/research/grant/rg1.html>.

NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND BLOOD INSTITUTE (NHLBI)

Pathogenesis of SARS Lung Disease: In Vitro Studies and Animal Models—Support for high risk hypothesis generating research and hypothesis driven projects relevant to pathogenesis of human lung disease caused by the human SARS coronavirus (SARS-CoV). Deadlines: 6/1/04, 10/1/04, 2/1/05. Contact: Hannah H. Peavy, 301-435-0222; peavyh@nhlbi.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-080.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NIAID)

Microbicide Design and Development Teams—Support for consortia of scientists with product development experience from industry and/or academia that have identified a promising microbicide concept, and devised a plan for targeted development into a product testable in humans. Deadline: 8/13/04. Contact: Donald Collie, 301-496-0992; dc128b@nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AI-04-022.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DIABETES AND DIGESTIVE AND KIDNEY DISEASES (NIDDK/NIH)

Partnerships Between Basic and Clinical Researchers in Obesity—Support for partnerships to investigate biological mechanisms controlling energy balance in humans. Contact: Carol Renfrew Haft, 301-594-7689; cr84g@nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-04-010.html>. Deadlines: 6/21/04 (Letter of Intent); 7/21/04 (Application).

Proteomic and Metabolomic Approaches to Diagnose Diabetes and Pre-Diabetes—Support for research using proteomic and other novel technology to develop new diagnostic tests and/or identify new biomarkers for diagnosis of pre-diabetes and/or diabetes that do not require fasting or glucose administration. Contact: Salvatore Sechi, 301-594-8814; ss24q@nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-076.html>. Deadlines: 6/18/04 (Letter of Intent); 7/20/04 (Application).

Proteomics: Diabetes, Obesity, and Endocrine, Digestive, Kidney, Urologic, and Hematologic Diseases—Support for research to identify and quantitate protein expression patterns, post-translational modification of proteins, and protein-protein interactions on cells, tissues, organ systems to diabetes, obesity, endocrine and metabolic diseases,

nutritional function and diseases of the alimentary tract, exocrine pancreas, liver, kidney, bladder and prostate and normal biological processes related to the function of these systems. Deadlines: 6/1/04, 10/1/04, 2/1/05. Contact: See above or <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-081.html>.

Small Clinical Grants in Digestive Diseases, Nutrition and Obesity—Support for innovative clinical and epidemiological research into new therapies or means of prevention of digestive and liver diseases, nutritional disorders and obesity. Deadlines: 6/1/04, 10/1/04, 2/1/05. Contact: Patricia Robuck, 301-594-8879; pr132q@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-082.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS AND STROKE (NINDS)

Administrative Supplements: Counterterrorism and Neuroscience Research—Supplemental support for research aimed at protecting the nervous system from harmful effects of a chemical or biological terrorist attack. Deadlines: 6/15/04, 10/15/04. Contact: David A. Jett, 301-496-3102; jettd@ninds.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-NS-03-011.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE (NIDA)

Collaborative Clinical Trials in Drug Abuse—Support for collaboration of investigators at different sites to address critical issues in treatment of substance-related disorders that require sample sizes greater than a single site can reasonably attain. Deadlines: 6/16/04, 10/13/04, 2/16/05. Contact: Ivan D. Montoya, 301-443-8639; imontoya@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-073.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

AIDS-Related Oral Malignancies and Tumors—Support for research to improve understanding of the biological basis of development and progression of AIDS-related oral cancers and tumors; and to identify novel targets for treatment, and biomarkers for early diagnosis and monitoring of disease progression. Contact: Mostafa Nokta, 301-594-7985; Mostafa.Nokta@nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DE-05-001.html>. Deadline: 6/16/04.

Asthma Exacerbations: Biology and Disease Progression—Support for clinical and basic research to elucidate biologic

mechanisms of asthma exacerbation pathobiology and resolution and their impact on lung function, physiology and disease state. Deadlines: 5/18/04 (Letter of Intent); 6/18/04 (Application). Contact: Patricia Noel, 301-435-0202; noelp@nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-04-029.html>.

Psychopharmacology of Widely Available Psychoactive Natural Products—Support for research to characterize chemistry, psychopharmacology, and/or toxicology of acute and chronic exposure to psychoactive natural products, as well as transition in use of these products to licit or illicit drugs of abuse. Contact: Allison Chausmer, 301-402-5088; achausme@nida.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-084.html>. Deadlines: 10/1/04, 2/1/05, 6/1/05.

Research on Autism and Autism Spectrum Disorders—Support for research to elucidate diagnosis, epidemiology, etiology, genetics, treatment, and optimal means of service delivery in relation to Autistic Disorder and autism spectrum disorders. Deadlines: 6/1/04, 10/1/04, 1/1/05. Contact: Ann Wagner, 301-443-4283; awagner@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-085.html>.

Support for Dietary Supplement Research Centers: Botanicals for interdisciplinary collaborative study of botanicals, particularly those found as ingredients in dietary supplements, and for research with high potential for being translated into practical benefits for human health. Contact: Christine A. Swanson, 301-435-2920; swansonc@od.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-04-002.html>. Deadlines: 5/18/04 (Letter of Intent); 6/15/04 (Application).

Transition to Independent Positions—Support for new investigators, whose research relates to understanding problems and mechanisms associated with exposure to environmental agents, to transition to independent faculty positions. Deadlines: 6/13/04 (Letter of Intent); 7/13/04 (Application). Contact: Carol Shreffler, 919-541-1445; shreffl1@niehs.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-ES-04-002.html>.

Understanding and Preventing Brain Tumor Dispersal—Support for studies to identify properties of brain tumor cells that cause them to migrate; determine how interaction of tumor cells with normal brain elements affects migration; and translate understanding of these parameters into interventions that target invading tumor cells. Contact: Robert Finkelstein, 301-496-5745; finkelsr@ninds.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAS-04-079.html>. Deadlines: 6/1/04, 10/1/04, 2/1/05.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

Approaches to Combat Terrorism (ACT)—Support for projects to identify bold new concepts in basic research and workforce development with potential to contribute to national security. Deadline: 6/11/04. Contact: Andrew W. Clegg, 703-292-4892; aclegg@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/pubsys/ods/getpub.cfm?nsf04561>.

Cross-Disciplinary Research at Undergraduate Institutions (C-RUI)—Support for research involving faculty from different fields and undergraduate students at predominantly undergraduate institutions. Contact: Sally E. O'Connor, 703-292-8470; soconnor@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2004/nsf04536/nsf04536.htm>. Deadline: 6/15/04.

Earth Sciences Research at the National Science Foundation (EAR)—Tectonics (TE)—Support for research and education related to Earth's terrestrial regions, interior, and freshwater systems. Contact: David M. Fountain, 703-292-8552; dfountai@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/pubsys/ods/getpub.cfm?nsf03590>. Deadlines: 6/1/04, 12/1/04.

International Research Network Connections (IRNC)—Funding for network connections linking U.S. research networks with peer networks in other parts of the world to support science and engineering research and education projects. Deadline: 6/7/04. Contact: Douglas G. Gatchell, 703-292-8962; dgatchell@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/pubsys/ods/getpub.cfm?nsf04560>.

Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Programs Phase I Solicitation FY-2004 (SBIR/STTR)—Information-Based Technologies (IT) and Security Technologies (ST). Support for projects on important scientific, engineering, or science/engineering education problems and opportunities that could lead to significant commercial and public benefit if the research is successful. Deadline: 6/9/04. Contact: Cheryl F. Albus, 703-292-7051; calbus@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2004/nsf04551/nsf04551.htm>.

Software and Tools for High-End Computing (ST-HEC)—Support for innovative research to build complex software and tools (on top of the operating system) for high-end architectures. Contact: S. Kamal Abdali, 703-292-8910, kabdali@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2004/nsf04569/nsf04569.htm>. Deadlines: 5/14/04 (Letter of Intent); 7/7/04 (Application).

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION (NATO)

Advanced Research Workshops (ARW)—Support for a small group of experts to make a critical assessment of existing knowledge on new important topics, and identify directions for future research. Only ARWs in the security-related Priority Research Topics will be supported. Deadline: None. Contact: Security Through Science Programme, Public Diplomacy Division, NATO, Telephone: +32 (02) 707-41-11; science@hq.nato.int; <http://www.nato.int/science/support/arw/arw-nfa.htm>.

PHILIPPE FOUNDATION, INC.

Support for exchange of scientists and doctors between the U.S. and France for research-related endeavors, with an emphasis on medical research, especially cancer research. Deadline: None. Contact: Mirella Shapiro, 212-687-3290; shapiro@pimny.com.

TREE RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND (TREE FUND)

Support to identify significant environmental, biological, social, and economic needs of arboriculture and urban forestry, including tree genetics, management and care; and for innovative, basic/applied research and education projects. Deadline: Varies. Contact: TREE Fund, 217-239-7070; treefund@treefund.org; <http://www.treefund.org/GrantSumm.asp#Sponsored>.

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

Development and Characterization of Biological Systems for Studying Low Dose Effects of Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals—Support to develop and characterize biological systems for studying the nature of the dose-response to endocrine disrupting chemicals. Research should focus on estrogen, androgen, or thyroid hormone systems, and innovative toxicology conducted across a wide range of multiple dose levels to characterize dose-response relationships following in utero or early postnatal exposures to endocrine disruptors. Deadline: 6/1/04. Contact: Elaine Francis, 202-564-6789; francis.elaine@epa.gov; http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2004/2004_low_dose.html.

— William Gosnold, interim director, research and program development.

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